IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

CHRISTOPHER BUNTEN,

Petitioner,

ORDER

v.

LIZZIE TEGELS,

20-cv-268-wmc App. No. 23-3331

Respondent.

On November 2, 2023, the court dismissed the habeas petition filed by petitioner Christopher Bunten pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has now filed a notice of appeal from that order and requests leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (Dkts # 32, 33). The court cannot consider this request, however, because it lacks supporting documentation regarding petitioner's eligibility for indigent status. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2). For this appeal to proceed, petitioner must either pay the \$605 appellate docketing fee by January 3, 2024, or submit a certified inmate trust fund account statement (or institutional equivalent) for the sixmonth period immediately preceding the filing of this appeal.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that not later than January 3, 2024, petitioner Christopher Bunten shall pay the \$605 appellate docketing fee or submit a certified copy of an inmate trust fund account statement for the period beginning approximately June 7, 2023 through at least December 7, 2023. If petitioner fails to pay the \$605 appellate docketing fee, comply as

directed, or show cause for failure to do so, then this appeal may be dismissed without further notice.

Entered this 11th day of December, 2023.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ ANDREW R. WISEMAN United States Magistrate Judge